ATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re the Application of

Shinichi AYABE et al.

Group Art Unit: 1638

Application No.: 09/890,646

Examiner:

R. Kallis

Filed: August 2, 2001

Docket No.:

120909

For:

POLYNUCLEOTIDE ENCODING 2-HYDROXYISOFLAVONE SYNTHASE

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SMALL ENTITY REQUEST FOR **CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants hereby request continued examination.

Applicants further request entry and consideration of the submission filed July 20, 2004

Applicants further request entry and consideration of the attached submission.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 159134 in the amount of \boxtimes \$385.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this page are enclosed.

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